



Pennsylvania Broilers

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For the Week of March 30-April 5, 2003

Pennsylvania Broiler Placements Down 4 Percent from the Previous Week

Pennsylvania: Broiler chicks placed in the Commonwealth during the week ending April 5, 2003, were 2,545,000, down 4 percent from the previous week and 5 percent less than the corresponding week a year earlier. Placements during the past 9 weeks were 5 percent below 1 year ago. Settings for broiler chicks were 3,581,000, down 7 percent from the previous week and 10 percent less than the same week a year ago. The current 3-week total of eggs set is 5 percent below the comparable period last year.

Nineteen States: Broiler chicks placed in the 19 Selected States were 167,672,000, down 1 percent from the previous week and 1 percent less than the

corresponding week a year earlier. Placements during the past 9 weeks were 2 percent below one year ago. Settings for broiler chicks were 207,900,000, up 2 percent from the previous week but 2 percent less than the same week a year ago. The current 3-week total of eggs set is 2 percent below the comparable period last year.

Expected Marketings: Expected marketings, based on placements 7-9 weeks earlier, less mortality allowance, in Pennsylvania for the week ending May 31, 2003, will be 2,513,000, 4 percent less than a year earlier. The 19 States expected marketings should total 163,622,000, down 1 percent from the previous year.

Broilers Placed, Eggs Set, Expected Marketings

Period Covered	Pennsylvania			19 States		
	Number (1,000)	Percent		Number (1,000)	Percent	
		Previous Week	Year Earlier		Previous Week	Year Earlier
	Broilers Placed					
Past Week	2,545	96	95	167,672	99	99
Past 9 Weeks	22,589	-	95	1,497,291	-	98
	Eggs Set					
Past Week	3,581	93	90	207,900	102	98
Past 3 Weeks	10,827	-	95	617,941	-	98
	Expected Marketings					
Week Ending: May 31, 2003	2,513	-	96	163,622	-	99

Poultry Slaughter: Broiler-fryers slaughtered in Pennsylvania under Federal Inspection during the week ending March 29, 2003, totaled 1,878,000 head with an average live weight of 5.07 pounds. Broiler-fryers slaughtered in Pennsylvania under Federal Inspection during the week ending March 22, 2003, totaled 2,003,000 head with an average live weight of 5.09 pounds.

**The 15 State total was discontinued on May 15, 2002.
Data is now being reported as a 19 State total.**

Broiler Eggs Set, 19 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Mar 1	Mar 8	Mar 15	Mar 22	Mar 29	Apr 5
	2003	2003	2003	2003	2003	2003
	Thousand					
AL	28,387	27,895	*28,325	28,227	*27,815	28,204
AR	30,603	30,315	*29,522	29,982	29,511	30,672
DE	3,500	3,539	3,765	3,711	3,633	3,859
FL	1,627	1,630	*1,452	1,634	1,597	1,573
GA	*31,995	*32,278	*31,387	*31,212	*31,092	31,778
KY	6,457	6,740	*6,430	6,316	6,291	6,485
MD	9,371	10,110	10,053	9,509	*9,516	10,050
MS	19,066	19,097	18,882	19,110	19,116	19,229
NC	18,788	18,816	*18,489	18,680	18,985	18,622
OK	6,373	6,465	6,672	6,580	6,219	6,607
PA	3,427	3,599	3,496	*3,405	*3,841	3,581
SC	4,857	4,814	4,842	4,903	4,983	4,911
TX	*14,832	*14,722	*14,750	*14,502	*14,756	14,990
VA	6,720	6,711	6,632	6,637	6,714	6,521
CA, MO, LA, TN, & WV:	*20,544	*20,808	20,331	20,871	*20,693	20,818
19 State Total	*206,547	*207,539	*205,028	*205,279	*204,762	207,900
Previous Year Total	210,211	209,711	208,001	208,762	207,728	212,490
Pct. of Prev. Year	98	99	99	98	99	98

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Broiler Chicks Placed, 19 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Mar 1	Mar 8	Mar 15	Mar 22	Mar 29	Apr 5
	2003	2003	2003	2003	2003	2003
	Thousand					
AL	20,287	21,816	*21,484	21,568	*21,078	21,442
AR	24,680	25,491	23,738	24,173	24,592	23,746
DE	4,997	4,688	4,570	4,988	*5,270	5,258
FL	1,752	1,798	1,668	1,566	1,632	1,392
GA	25,634	24,378	*25,065	*25,718	*25,471	25,219
KY	*5,532	*5,739	*4,964	*5,343	*5,171	5,324
MD	5,920	5,242	6,260	6,108	*6,258	6,592
MS	15,534	15,579	15,850	16,374	16,390	16,209
NC	14,332	14,199	14,729	15,066	15,134	14,897
OK	4,840	3,634	4,458	4,825	4,357	4,851
PA	2,422	2,479	2,358	*2,588	*2,639	2,545
SC	3,134	4,812	4,430	3,827	4,020	4,201
TX	11,657	*11,970	*12,391	*12,417	*12,265	12,194
VA	5,847	5,854	5,334	5,258	*5,407	5,358
CA, MO, LA, TN, & WV:	16,980	*17,551	*19,940	*19,306	*19,566	18,444
19 State Total	*163,548	*165,230	*167,239	*169,125	*169,250	167,672
Previous Year Total	169,215	171,686	172,382	171,346	171,323	168,978
Pct. of Prev. Year	97	96	97	99	99	99

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